

Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

§ 29.2393

fired, produced principally in the Piedmont and mountain sections of Virginia.

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§ 29.2312 Undried.

The condition of unfermented tobacco which has not been air-dried or steam-dried.

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§ 29.2313 Uniformity.

An element of quality which describes the consistency of a lot of tobacco as it is prepared for market. Uniformity is expressed as a percentage in grade specifications. (See Rule 15, § 29.2406.)

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§ 29.2314 Unsound (U).

Damaged under 20 percent. (See Rule 20, § 29.2411.)

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§ 29.2315 Unstemmed.

A form of tobacco, including whole leaf and leaf scrap, from which the stems or midribs have not been removed.

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§ 29.2316 Wet (W).

Any sound tobacco containing excessive moisture to the extent that it is in unsafe or doubtful-keeping order. Wet applies to any tobacco which is not damaged but which is likely to damage if treated in the customary manner. (See Rule 21, § 29.2412.) (For extremely wet or watered tobacco, see Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

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§ 29.2317 Width.

The relative breadth of a tobacco leaf expressed in relation to its length. (See chart, § 29.2351.)

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ELEMENTS OF QUALITY

§ 29.2351 Elements of quality and degrees of each element.

Tobacco attributes or characteristics which constitute quality are designated as elements of quality. The range within each element is expressed by words or terms designated as degrees. These degrees are arranged to show their relative value and are used in determining the quality of tobacco. The actual value of each degree varies with group.

Elements		Degrees	
Body	Thin	Medium	Heavy.
Maturity	Immature	Mature	Ripe.
Leaf structure	Close	Firm	Open.
Oil	Lean	Oily	Rich.
Elasticity	Inelastic	Semielastic ..	Elastic.
Strength	Weak	Normal	Strong.
Finish	Dull	Clear	Bright.
Color Intensity.	Pale	Moderate	Deep.
Width	Narrow	Normal	Spready Broad.

Uniformity. Expressed in percentages.

Injury tolerance. Expressed in percentages.

SIZES

§ 29.2371 Standard sizes.¹

Inches	Size
12-20	1
20-28	2
Over 28	3

¹ The application of sizes is governed by the major portion of the lot or package.

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RULES

§ 29.2391 Rules.

The application of these official standard grades shall be in accordance with the following rules.

§ 29.2392 Rule 1.

Each grade shall be treated as a subdivision of a particular type. When the grade is stated in an inspection certificate, the type also shall be stated.

§ 29.2393 Rule 2.

The determination of a grade shall be based upon a thorough examination of a lot of tobacco or of an official sample of the lot.